

Oversight Council on Driving or Operating Under the Influence Abatement

GRANT PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

INTRODUCTION

The Oversight Council on Driving or Operating Under the Influence Abatement is announcing a grant opportunity. The grant program will provide grant funds for two types of programs as authorized by ARS §28-1303. The program is to provide grant funds from the driving under the influence abatement fund to political subdivisions and tribal governments that apply for monies for enforcement purposes, prosecutorial and judicial activities and alcohol abuse treatment services related to preventing and abating driving or operating under the influence occurrences in a motor vehicle or a motorized watercraft as defined in ARS §5-301. In addition, the program provides for grants from the driving under the influence abatement fund established by ARS §28-1304 for innovative programs that use emerging technologies to educate, prevent or deter occurrences of driving or operating under the influence in a motor vehicle or a motorized watercraft. The Council has authorized a total of \$1,295,744 to be available for this grant cycle.

The goal of program is to fund Arizona programs and services to reduce occurrences of driving under the influence.

PROGRAM STRATEGY

To achieve the goal of this program, grants will be made to political subdivisions and tribal governments that apply for funds for enforcement purposes, prosecutorial and judicial activities and alcohol abuse treatment services related to preventing and abating driving or operating under the influence occurrences in a motor vehicle or a motorized watercraft as defined in ARS §5-301. The Council will give preference to proposals involving multi-agency task forces for the enforcement of DUI statutes. The program also provides grants from the driving under the influence abatement fund established by ARS §28-1304 for innovative programs that use emerging technologies to educate, prevent or deter occurrences of driving or operating under the influence in a motor vehicle or a motorized watercraft.

ALLOWABLE COSTS

Grants provided under this program will be one-time awards.

Enforcement Program: Seventy percent (70%) of the monies, or \$855,306, in the abatement fund will be awarded to political subdivisions and tribal governments for

enforcement purposes, prosecutorial and judicial activities and alcohol abuse treatment services related to preventing and abating driving or operating under the influence occurrences in a motor vehicle pursuant to ARS §§28-1381 and 1382 or a motorized watercraft as defined in ARS §5-301. Awards will be granted for a period of six months, starting July 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006.

Innovative Program: Twenty-five percent (25%) of the monies, \$440,437, in the abatement fund will be awarded to programs that use emerging technologies to educate, prevent or deter occurrences of driving or operating under the influence in a motor vehicle ARS §§28-1381 and 1382 or a motorized watercraft as defined in ARS §5-301. Awards will be granted for a period of one year, starting July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF FUNDS

Grant funds cannot be used for indirect costs incurred for administering the grant.

Any program income (funds derived from the expenditure of grant funds) or interest earned on grant funds may be used by the grantee to further the goals and objectives of the grant and shall be reported to the Council.

Each applicant shall acknowledge they will supplement, not supplant, existing funds to use the grant funds for the proposed project.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Through an inter-governmental agreement (IGA) the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) provides administrative support to the Oversight Council On Driving Or Operating Under the Influence Abatement (the Council). The notice and application will be posted on the ACJC web site, www.azcjc.gov, on **May 1, 2006 at 8:00 a.m.**

The Council will post notification of grant announcements annually in May and November. Innovative program awards will have one grant cycle per year and be issued for twelve-month time periods. Enforcement program awards will be granted for six-month time periods, allowing for two cycles per year.

HOW TO APPLY

You will create, submit and monitor your application through a private, secure web site located at www.azcjc.gov/Grants/GMSIndex.asp. Upon verification of your eligibility to apply for funds, log-in information will be e-mailed to you. The application must be completed on this web site and submitted electronically. If you are having difficulties with the system, please call our office at 602-364-1146 or e-mail us at dui@azcjc.gov.

Applications must be received through the Commission web site no later than 3:00 p.m. on Friday, May 26, 2006 to be considered.

If an agency applies for more than one grant-funded project, the agency is expected to prioritize the grant applications to assist Council in making decisions as to which is more important for the agency.

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

An evaluation team of three or more qualified individuals will evaluate each grant application according to the criteria within the grant guidelines and priorities established by the Council. Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

1. Timely submission of application.
2. Completeness and accuracy of the application. All requested information and attachments are provided.
3. The program adequately addresses the problem identified in the problem statement.
4. Goals and objectives are reasonable, achievable, and consistent with the mission of the Council.
5. Likelihood of advancing the interest of the citizens of Arizona to prevent DUI.
6. Project viability.
7. The applicant's expertise and background.
8. Demonstration of reporting requirements.
9. Non-supplanting requirement.
10. Reasonableness of the budget and allowable costs.

AWARD AND FUNDING PROCESS

While the Oversight Council On Driving Or Operating Under the Influence Abatement would like to fund each worthy program, only a limited amount of money is available.

All grant awards shall be made by the concurrence of a majority of the voting members of the Council in attendance at a public meeting. The Council may approve of an application for the amount of funding requested or at a lesser amount if the sub-grantee accepts the lesser amount; or reject the application. After funding decisions are made, a notice shall be sent to each applicant agency.

As soon as practical after funding decisions are made by the Council, grant agreements will be forwarded to successful agencies that are to receive funding. Grant agreements require the signature of the agency's governing body (in the case of cities, counties or tribal governments) or executive director. Once the agencies return the signed agreements to the Commission, the Council Chairman then signs the agreements. Fully executed agreements will be returned to the agencies to encumber and expend funds.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Applicants are required to submit quarterly financial and progress reports to the Oversight Council on Driving or Operating Under the Influence Abatement at the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission Office, 1110 W. Washington Street, Suite 230, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

The quarterly reports will be provided to the Council for their review to evaluate the program's effectiveness. This procedure will allow the Council to oversee the progress of the programs.

Each grantee shall provide a final progress and financial report upon completion or cancellation of a grant to the Commission for compilation into a report for the Council. The progress report shall provide how well the goals and objectives of the grant were met and how the grant benefited the targeted population of citizens. The financial report shall provide final details on expenditure of grant funds.

ALLOCATION PROCESS

When funds are expended the agencies shall complete a quarterly report and will be reimbursed for the funds that have been expended.

QUESTIONS

Questions concerning this program, or the application process, should be directed to Pat Nelson, Arizona Criminal Justice Commission Program Manager, at 602-364-1152 or Debby Finkel, Grant Coordinator, at 602-364-1191 under the direction of the Oversight Council on Driving or Operating Under the Influence Abatement or you may e-mail us at dui@azcjc.gov.